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A major design guideline study built around a survey of tenants in four Ontario Housing Corporation projects has produced suggestions for improving stacked town housing design, it was announced today by E. E. Clow, Chairman of the Board of Directors.

The study, commissioned by the Board, arose from the need to provide housing more suitable for family living than apartments, yet, for reasons of economy, at higher densities than conventional row housing.

A form of housing, technically called "stacked town housing" is being widely considered as a solution. Stacked housing is typically three to six storeys in height, contains one or more two-storey units similar to row housing, and access to upper units is often by way of open walkways or enclosed corridors.

While still very much an innovative housing form in Canada, there are a number of examples in Ontario and 611 OHC-owned stacked housing units at Warden Woods, Thistletown, Don Mount and Flemingdon Park were chosen for the study.



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The 268-page report draws conclusions and makes detailed design recommendations based on questionnaires, interviews and the observations of the study team from consultant Peter Barnard Associates.

The study, which is primarily of interest to architects and builders, is available from the Provincial Queen's Printer Book Store, 880 Bay Street, Toronto, for \$5.00.

